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Statement from Lt. Governor Kinder on the Passing of Dr. Kent King

JEFFERSON CITY –Lt. Governor Peter Kinder today released the following statement on the passing of State Education Commissioner Dr. Kent King:

"Today, I was deeply saddened to learn of the passing of Dr. Kent King. Dr. King was a noble public servant and dedicated leader.

"Dr. King was only the fourth person to serve as commissioner of education since the office was created in 1945. His unwavering commitment to the people of Missouri and his desire for academic achievement was evident to all who met him.

"Today, I express my sincere condolences to Kent's wife, Sandy, and his entire family. Missouri's schoolchildren will forever benefit from the impact that Dr. King has left."